(ख) सरकार इनमें से प्रत्येक शरणार्थी पर मासिक/वार्षिक भत्ते, सुविधाओं आदि के रूप में कितना खर्च कर रही है;

(ग) उन्हें उनके देश को वापस भेजने के के लिये भारत सरकार ने अब तक क्या कार्यवाही की है तथा उसके क्या परिणाम निकले हैं; और

(घ) इन सभी शरणार्थियों के अफगानिस्तान को कब तक वापस चले जाने की संभावना है और क्या यह भी सच है कि वे स्वदेश लौटना नहीं चाहते और यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में भारत सरकार द्वारा की गई कार्यवाही का ब्यौरा क्या है?

कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी. चिदम्बरम्) : (क) एक अप्रैल, 1987 की स्थिति के अनुसार 4268।

(ख) शून्य।

(ग) और (घ) यह निश्चित रूप से नहीं कहा जा सकता कि सभी शरणार्थी कब वापस जाएंगे। फिर भी, जो अफगानिस्तान लौटना चाहते हैं, उन्हें ऐसा करने की अनुमति दी जा रही है।

Smuggling by Foreigners

1633. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of foreigners arrested in Indian airports and seaports during the last financial year for violation of custom rules and for smuggling alongwith the names of countries to which these foreigners belong;

(b) what are the corresponding figures for the years 1985-86 and 1986-87; and

(c) whether there has been any increase or decrease in the number of arrests for violating the customs rules and on charges of smuggling?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) to (c) The number of foreigners arrested throughout the country during the years 1985-86, 1986-87 and 1987-1988 for violation of Customs laws are indicated in the table below:—

Year	Number of foreigners arrested
1985-86	523
1986-87	458
1987-88	393 (Provisional)

The particulars of the countries to which these foreigners belong are not maintained separately.

Tax Deductions for NRI investment in canshare and canstock projects

1634. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY:
SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Non-Resident Indians participation in the Canshare and Canstock will attract tax deductions; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) Income derived by Non-Resident Indians from their investments in Chanshares and Canstock will be chargeable to income tax at the normal rate. However, no tax shall be deducted at source.

Denial of permit of Residence to shri Ajitabh Bachchan in Switzerland

1635. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:
SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware the Ajitabh Bachchan has been denied a

permit of residence in Switzerland on moral grounds;

(b) what is the impact of this denial on his claim of N.R.I. status; and

(c) whether he is now being called to India for investigations with regard to cases of FERA violations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) Shri Ajitabh Bachchan has a valid business visa for Switzerland.

(c) The enquiry into case of alleged FERA violations against Shri Ajitabh Bachchan is still in progress.

Exports to hard currency Areas

1636. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total value of exports (excluding oil) to hard currency areas during 1987-88 as compared to 1986-87;

(b) what would be the value of export for 1987-88 at constant exchange rates; and

(c) what is the real percentage increase in exports to hard currency areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) to (c) According to the country-wise trade statistics available for April—December 1987, India's exports to the countries in the General Currency Area (other than Rupee Payment Areas) amounted to Rs. 9435.55 crores as compered to Rs. 7256.54 crores during April-December 1986, thereby showing an increase of 30.0 per cent.

As currencies in the world are floating, the concept of constant exchange rate does not apply. However, total export to the countreis in the General Currency Area during April-December 1987, in terms of the average exchange rate for US Dollars during April-December 1986 amounted to US $ 1426.88 million as gainst exports of US $ 5711.74 million during April-December 1986, thus registering an increase of 30.0 per cent.

Exemption from income tax on poultry sector

@1636-A. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state whether the National Egg Coordination Committee is reported to have since given convincing reasons warranting exemption from payment of Income Tax by the Poultry Sector and if so, in what way Government have proved responsive to this dire need of the Poultry Sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): The National Egg Coordination Committee, a non-Governmental Organisation, had written to Government requesting that income from the business of poultry farming be exempted from income tax. This request was examined in detail and Government could not agree to it.

Commercial TIE up with a German Firm

@@1636-B. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that one of the firms that participated in the Techno Germa '88 in Delhi was Mukam of West Germany;

(b) whether Government are aware that serious complaints of violation of automatic safety regulations had been raised against that firm;

(c) whether there is any proposal for commercial tie up with the firm; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND

@Previously Unstarred Question 1168, transferred from the 6th May, 1988.

@@Previously Unstarred Question 1354 transferred from the 9th May, 1988.